

FAQs

When are classes? – **Everybody except HazMat**

Classes run year-round, usually with two start dates each month. Training is Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m., with a half-hour lunch break. Classes are small (3 students per instructor) and fill on a first-come, first-served basis, so give us a call for the most up-to-date availability.

How long is the training course? – **Class A, B, Passenger, & School Bus**

All courses run **Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.**, including a half-hour lunch.

Class A:

- **3 Week (160 hours total):** 3 weeks in class (120 hours) **plus 40 hours of at-home study.** Students are assigned the **JJ Keller Entry-Level Driver’s Training – Obtaining a CDL** book (534 pages) and complete **100 randomly selected questions**, which counts toward the additional 40 hours. This program includes **both ELDT theory and hands-on behind-the-wheel instruction.**
- **2 Week (80 hours) – Accelerated:** Behind-the-wheel training only. Students **must have already completed ELDT theory training** from an approved provider and provide a copy of their **Certificate of Completion** and the **Training Record from the FMCSA TPR website** (<https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov/check>).
- **1 Week (40 hours) – Accelerated:** Behind-the-wheel training only. ELDT theory must already be completed as above.

Class B, Passenger (P), & School Bus (S):

- **5 Day (40 hours):** Full program including both ELDT theory and hands-on behind-the-wheel instruction.
 - **3 Day (24 hours) – Accelerated:** Behind-the-wheel training only. Students **must have completed ELDT theory training** from an approved provider and provide the required **Certificate of Completion** and **Training Record from the FMCSA TPR website** (<https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov/check>).
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What is the difference between the 3 Week, 2 Week, and 1 Week Class A programs? – **Class A 1,2 and 3**

The main difference is **theory training vs. behind-the-wheel training.**

- The **3-week Class A program** includes both **ELDT theory and hands-on behind-the-wheel instruction**.
 - The **1- and 2-week accelerated programs** are **hands-on/behind-the-wheel training only**.
 - To enroll in these accelerated programs, you **must have already completed ELDT theory training** from an approved provider.
 - You'll need to provide a **copy of your Certificate of Completion** and your **Training Record from the FMCSA TPR website** (<https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov/check>).
 - These accelerated programs satisfy **only the hands-on ELDT requirement**, not the theory portion.
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What is the difference between the 5 Day and 3 Day Class B, Passenger, & School Bus programs? – Class B / Passenger / School Bus

The main difference is **theory training vs. behind-the-wheel training**.

- The **5-day programs** include both **ELDT theory and hands-on behind-the-wheel instruction**.
 - The **3-day accelerated programs** are **hands-on/behind-the-wheel training only**.
 - Students **must have completed ELDT theory training** from an approved provider and provide the required **Certificate of Completion** and **Training Record from the FMCSA TPR website** (<https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov/check>).
 - These accelerated programs satisfy **only the hands-on ELDT requirement**, not the theory portion.
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How much does CDL training cost? – Class A, B, Passenger, & School Bus

- Class A – 3 Week: \$5,200
 - Class A – 2 Week: \$3,900
 - Class A – 1 Week: \$1,950
 - Class B – 5 Day: \$2,200
 - Class B – 3 Day: \$2,200
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Do you accept GI Bill® or veteran-specific funding? – Everybody

We don't accept GI Bill® or other veteran-specific education benefits because our CDL programs are short-term and not VA-approved.

That said, we're proud to be veteran-owned and deeply value the service of our nation's veterans. Many of our veteran students successfully use Michigan Works grants, workforce development funding, or private financing to cover tuition.

Where can I get a DOT physical and drug test? – Everybody except HazMat

All CDL students must complete a DOT physical exam and drug test before starting training. You can get these through:

- DOT-certified medical examiners (listed on the FMCSA National Registry)
- Local urgent care centers or occupational health clinics
- Your family doctor or DOT-certified chiropractor

Some providers require prior authorization. If you need it, just call our office and we'll send you the proper form.

Do you offer additional endorsements or specialized training? – Everybody

Yes! We provide training for HazMat, Passenger (P), School Bus (S), and Tanker endorsements. We can also create specialized training courses for employers upon request.

What is ELDT? – Everybody

Entry-Level Driver Training (ELDT) is a federal regulation from the FMCSA that sets minimum training standards for new commercial drivers. It has been in effect since February 7, 2022.

ELDT applies if you are:

- Obtaining a Class A or Class B CDL for the first time
- Upgrading an existing Class B CDL to a Class A CDL
- Getting a School Bus (S), Passenger (P), or HazMat (H) endorsement for the first time

Important details:

- ELDT is not retroactive. If you earned your CDL or endorsement before February 7, 2022, you do not need to complete this training.
 - If your Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP) was issued before February 7, 2022, and you get your CDL before your CLP expires, ELDT doesn't apply.
 - Certain exemptions under 49 CFR Part 383 also apply for the skills test.
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Where are your schools located? – Everybody

We have multiple locations across Michigan, so you can choose the one closest to you. We're also expanding into new areas—keep an eye out for Regen Trucking School coming to your city! [Button to locations page]

Are accommodations provided during training? – Everybody

We don't offer on-site housing, but we can help you find nearby accommodations for each campus.

Are meals included? – Everybody

Students provide their own meals. Most campuses are 3–5 miles from local restaurants. The Freeland campus has a full-size kitchen for student use, and **most locations offer a common area including a water refill station, microwave, and refrigerator.**

How do I sign up? – Everybody

Call us at **989-341-4300** or fill out our **online form**, and a representative will contact you.

Important: Students **planning to register for training at one of our college partnership locations** are dual enrolled and must first complete enrollment with the college before registering with Regen. You can visit our **locations page** to find the direct phone number for the college you wish to dual enroll with.

We're excited to help you get started on your CDL journey! [Click here for online form button]